

**Minutes
of the Board Meeting
of the
Slate Roofing Contractors' Association of North America
(hereafter abbreviated SRCA)**

24 June 2012
9:26 A.M.
Grove City, Pennsylvania USA

The Board meeting of the SRCA was held on the above date at the above time, with the President presiding in the Chair, and all members of the Board of Directors present save John Mahan, who did attend the Standards Committee meeting the previous day, and including newly appointed member Gary Howes and newly elected member Chuck Wagner.

The Board voted unanimously to publish the two documents developed by the SRCA Standards Committee: *SRCA General Installation Guidelines for Natural Quarried Roofing Slate*, and *SRCA Specification Section 07310 - Slate Shingles*, with minor format corrections.

2012 SRCA Conference in Grove City, PA: General Discussion

- The purchase of necessary liability insurance for Conference unanimously approved by Board
- Increase number of sponsors for Conference, especially sheet metal and hand tool manufacturers and suppliers, to fully cover Conference costs
- Possibly rent golf carts

Tentative 2012 Conference Seminars:

- Liam Tower/Slate Affair Inc.: mosaic slate siding
- Chris Paulin/Paulin Slate & Copper: concave double lock copper standing seam & soldering
- Chris Short/Short Slate, LLC: german slating
- John Crookston/Upright, Inc.: tile roofing w/snow guards

- Erno Ovari/Copper Exclusive or John Voth/Copper & Common Sense: copper roofing techniques
- John Chan/Durable Slate: hook slates and english v tile, tile hips
- Gary Howes/Durable Slate: safety
- Ross Gibson: european-style standing seam

SRCA Project Competition 2012, to be held at the 2012 SRCA Conference:

- Slate category only, on a single 20” by 30” foam-core board
- Project must be completed in immediately previous calendar year
- One submission per company
- Any Slate Roofing Contractor Members or Roofing Contractor in good standing may submit projects for the Competition
- All paid conference attendees that are SRCA Members get one vote, Award shall be called “Member’s Choice”

The Vice-President suggested holding an auction to benefit the SRCA at 2012 SRCA Conference. The Board expressed agreement and general discussion ensued.

General discussion of International Federation for the Roofing Trade (hereafter abbreviated IFD) Congress and World Championship 2012 in Lucerne, Switzerland:

- Joe & Barry not going as SRCA Delegates at this time
- Interest in attending as SRCA Delegates: Liam Tower, Chris Paulin, Gary Howes, Chuck Wagner, John Mahan
- Total cost estimated to be \$12,000 to send 4 Board Members as SRCA Delegates to IFD

The Executive Director proposed a Limit of 2 SRCA Delegates annually for IFD Congress with the SRCA covering air, hotel, registration fee

- Delegates must be sitting Board Members
- Selection of Delegates done by lottery, first two Board Members chosen are the Delegates
- Chosen Board Members may voluntarily relinquish Delegate status to another Board Member if they so choose
- Board Members or other SRCA Members wishing to attend may do so at their expense
- The President seconded the motion, and it was unanimously passed by the Board

Lottery for SRCA Board Members to 2012 IFD Congress, in order pulled, the first two Board Members chosen are selected as the 2012 SRCA Delegates:

1. **Chuck Wagner**
2. **Gary Howes**
3. John Mahan
4. Chris Paulin
5. Liam Tower

Jan. 2013 New Orleans SRCA Board Meeting & Standards Committee Meeting, also investigate site for possible future SRCA conference

- Make it standard SRCA practice to hold Board Meetings in possible future conference locations

Discussion of Dec. 2012 SRCA Elections:

- Barry, Liam and Chris all intend to run again

Liam Tower delivered his Report on the slate trade school: his Report is appended to these Minutes. General discussion ensued.

- 160,000 annual budget
- 19,500 pledged annually to date
- Full school concept some time out
- SRCA certification programs for
 - Basic slate roof installation
 - Slate roof repair
 - Two day programs, on site preferred
 - Partly subsidized by annual pledges from quarries and suppliers, partly by training fees

The Meeting adjourned at 1:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Paulin
Secretary/Treasurer